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A ſhort Account of the moſt conſiderable News, Foreign and Domeſtick.

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From the Evening Poſt, May 8th.

Since our laſt arrived one Mail from Holland, and another from France.

Paris, May 12.

THE Marquis de Lede has not appeared in publick neither at Court, nor elſewhere ſince his Arrival in this City. Monſieur Leblanc, whoſe Father was Harbinger to the King, having been ruined by the Miſſiſippi Bubble, attempted laſt Week to make away with himſelf by Jumping into the River; but having been immediately taken out and blooded, 'tis hoped he will Recover; ſuch great Numbers of People are gone diſtracted on account of the like Loſſes, That we have not Mad-houſes enough to contain them all.

Moſcow, April 3. The beſt of the Czar's Troops are in Motion towards the Frontiers of Poland and Germany.

Rome, April 25. Two Days ago the Chevalier de St. George and the Princeſs his Conſort dined at Albano. Laſt Saturday Cardinal de Althan Miniſter of the Emperor, had a long Conference with the Pope about the Inveſtitures of Naples and Sicily, but could obtain no favourable Anſwer from the Pope, who is firmly reſolved not to do any thing in that Affair that may Diſoblige the King of Spain. 'Tis ſaid his Catholick Majeſty is determined to inſiſt on the Reſtitution of Gibraltar and Portmahon.

Vienna, May 2. The Lord Forbes, Vice Admiral of the Emperor, having deſired to be diſmiſſed in order return to England, was ordered to ſtay, becaule the Emperor is now fully reſolved to give him the Command of a Squadron of Men of War and Gallies in the Mediterranean, which Reſolution ſtill encreaſes our Apprehenſions of a War in Italy. This Court deſiring to know what is to be expected concerning the Congreſs of Cambray, have diſpatch'd thither a Courier, who is to proceed to London.

From

From the Whitehall Evening Poſt,

Baſil. May 3d. Mr. Manning, the Britiſh Miniſter, tho' he has taken Leave of the Proteſtant Cantons, in order to return to London, yet he continues ſtill at Bern; ſo 'tis thought he expects Orders to ſtay in this Country a while longer.

Berlin, May 8. Twelve Pruſſian Battallions are ſent to Mecklenburg, but for what Reaſon we know not. 'Tis ſaid the Emperor, ſuſpecting the Deſigns of the Czar, will ſecure all the Dominions of the Duke of Mecklenburg. His Pruſſian Majeſty, to promote the intended Union of the Reformed and Lutherians in his Dominions, has charged the Miniſters of theſe two Communions, not to make the leaſt mention in the Pulpits of the Religious Differences about ſome abſtruſe Points; particularly the Doctrine of Predeſtination, and to forbear all contumelious Expreſſions againſt one another.

Hamburg, May 8. The Imperial Court has ordered the Circles of Lower Saxony, to keep in Readineſs their reſpective Contingent of Troops, in order to march to Mecklenburg, and oppoſe the Muſcovites if they deſign to penetrate into that Country. The King of Denmark is expected the 18th Inſtant at Gotthorp, intending to ſtay there till he hear of the King of Great Britain's Arrival in Germany. 'Tis in all thought that their Majeſties will have an Interview near the Elbe, and in Appearance the King of Pruſſia will be preſent.

Hague, May 11. This Night a Courier arrived from Cologn with Advice, That the Biſhop of Munſter was laſt Saturday choſen Coadjutor of that Archbiſhoprick. They write from Cambray, That a Houſe is fitted up for the Reception of the Lord Whitworth.

Paris, May 9. The Marquis de Lede, Commander of all the Spaniſh Troops, is arrived here with a Commiſſion of great Importance, as is given out; but its ſaid he deſigns only to go to Flanders, his Native Country, to ſee his Relations.

Vienna, May 3d. The Lord Forbes has declined accepting the Direction of the Emperor's Maritime Affairs in the Adriatick Sea. 'Tis ſaid Prince Eugene is to go to Italy to put all the Imperial Troops in a defenſive Poſture, and to command the Army in caſe of a War; and that General Staremberg is to command in Hungary.

Hamburg, May 8. We hear from Livonia, that 100000 Muſcovites are at Hand to march upon an Important and ſecret Expedition, which the Duke of Mecklenburg flatters himſelf is intended to reinſtate him in his Dominions.

Barcelona, April 25. This Week 380 Workmen were ſent hence to Majorca, to aſſiſt in finiſhing the Frontiers of that Iſland. Four Men of War are ſailed from this Harbour to Cadiz. The French in the Province of Rouſillion, encreaſe daily in Number.

London, May 5. It is ſtrongly rummoured, That the Directors of the South Sea Company and Bank of England, are at length come to a perfect Agreement.

Cologn, May 6th. They write from Berlin, That the Lord Whiteworth, Miniſter of Great Britain, having received Orders to repair to Cambray, is preparing to ſet out as ſoon as poſſible

Paris, May 9th. The Marquis de Lede General of the Troops of Spain, arrived here the 9th Inſtant, being, as we hear, truſted with a Commiſſion of great Moment. People begin to talk, that for certain Reaſons of State which are not made Publick, the King's Coronation will be deferred to next Year; when his Majeſty will be at Age.

From

From the London Journal, May 3.

On Saturday Morning laſt, Orders were ſent to Deptford, to fit out the Carolina Yacht with all Expedition, His Majeſty deſigning to embark on board her for Holland, but the Day is not fixed for his Departure hence. All the other Yachts are to be ready.

From the Weekly Journal, May 5.

They write from Cambray, That the Lord Polwarth has obtain'd Leave of the King of Great Britain to make a Tour to Scotland, which will retard the opening of the Congreſs: 'Tis ſaid likewiſe, that my Lord Whitworth is to continue at Berlin till his Maſter arrives at Hanover; and ſome Letters from Cambray ſtick not to aſſure us, that we muſt never expect to ſee this important Congreſs opened, for Reaſons which they do not think fit to publiſh. The Coronation of the King of France is put off to the 15th of October; the Inhabitants of Rheims having repreſented, that if it ſhould be ſooner, their whole Vintage would be prejudiced, from the vaſt Concourſe of People that will flock thither to ſee the Solemnity.

They tell us from Hamburg, that the Dantzickans are ſo alarmed at the Motions of the Muſcovite Troops, that they have augmented their Garriſons, and examine ſtrictly all Ships which come into that Road.

The Amſterdam Gazette of the 5th of May, N. S. in his Article from London, tell us, that my Lord Cadogan has given Orders for breaking all the Iriſh in the Guards, on Suſpicion that they may be Roman Catholicks, tho' they paſs for Proteſtants. The ſame Writer in his Supplement, informs us, that the Tories have ſent a Painter to the Port of Haſtings, to draw the Pictures of James Waters, and Alexander Bates, the two Fiſher Men, ſo celebrated for honeſtly refuſing 500 L a-piece, to give their Vote againſt Mr. Hutchiſon. If this Articles be not Fact, we may ſuppoſe this Writer deſigns to put us in Mind, that ſuch Care ought to be taken, to perpetuat the Memory of ſo ſignal and honourable an Action, in two Perſons of ſo low Condition and Character.

The Lord Spencer, now Earl of Sunderland, was at Vienna when his Father died, and in his laſt Letters had ſignified his Intention to ſpend ſome Time at the Imperial Court; but upon the Earl's Death, Cummins, one of the King's Meſſengers, was diſpatched away to acquaint him therewith, ſo that his Lordſhip is expected home about a Month hence.

We hear, that the Members for Cornwall are returned in a different Manner from all other Parts of England, whether they have a Charter for it, or only do it by Cuſtom, we cannot ſay, but they return by a Minority of Votes. As for Example,

Bodwin	Lord Viſcount Moleſworth	93
	Charles Leigh Eſq;	91
	Iſaac Leheupe Eſq;	19
	Richard Weſt Eſq;	19

The two laſt were returned.

Leaſt Withiel	Sir Thomas Hardly Knight	16
	Charles Leigh Eſq;	16
	Marquis of Hartington	5
	Lord Stanhope	5

The two laſt were returned.

A preſent of choice Wines from the French King to his Majeſty, is arrived in the River from Calais.

We hear, That Colonel Charles Churchill is going to the Court of France, upon a ſpecial Commiſſion; as is Colonel Hurſt, with another to the Hague.

From

From the White-hall Evening Poſt May 8.

Florence, April 21. We are ſtill apprehenſive of freſh Commotions in theſe Parts. Our Garriſons here and other Places, are augmented. Laſt Thurſday all Commerce was prohibited between this Country, and Provence and Languedoc.

Rome, April 20. Some Days ago, an Extraordinary Congregation was aſſembled in the Pope's Preſence, concerning the preſent Poſture of Affairs relating to the *Chevalier de St. George*, who has ſince received a Preſent of Money from the College of Cardinals, to enable him not only to make ſome Figure here, but alſo facilitate his imaginary Intrigues in a certain Court. The Pope having ordered the Garriſons of the Towns of Parma and Placentia to be reinforced, gives much Jealouſy to a certain Prince.

Vienna, May 2. According to our Letters from Conſtantinople, the Ottoman Porte propoſed an Alliance with the Czar of Muſcovy, meerly concerning the Trade of Perſia. The Emperor has required the Circles of the Empire to furniſh their reſpective Quota's of Troops, in caſe the Muſcovites ſhould penetrate into Mecklenburg, where his Imperial Majeſty will have 12000 Men of his own upon Occaſion. 'Tis ſaid this Court has given Orders for Tranſporting more Troops to Sicily.

Hamburg, May 12. The King of Denmark, who is daily expected in Holſtein, deſigns to make no long ſtay there, but to return with ſpeed to Copenhagen.

London, May 8. The Parliament is prorogued to the 5th of June, and the Convocation, to the 29th of the ſaid Month. On Sunday Night Orders were ſent to all the Military Officers to repair to their Colours in their reſpective Regiments with all Expedition, to encamp in an Hours warning.

From the Evening Poſt, May 8.

London, May 8. All the Officers are ordered to their reſpective Poſts, upon pain of being caſhiered. Yeſterday a Camp was marked out in Hide Park for the Horſe and Foot in London; the Foot begun this Day to encamp, and the Horſe will in a Day or two: Three Men out of each Company of Foot are ordered for the Tower, and have Orders to ſtay there 15 Days.

Wye's Letter, verbatim, May 8th, 1722.

THEY write from Paris, of the 13th, That the Commiſſaries appointed by Parliament for examining the Edict concerning the Re-eſtabliſhment of the old Duties of the Cuſtoms, made a Report of their Inquiry on the 7th Inſtant to the Parliament; who thereupon reſolved to preſent Remonſtrances on that Subject to the King. To which End they aſſembled the next Day, when they received a *Lettre de Cachet*, forbidding them not only to frame Remonſtrances, but alſo to hold any extraordinary Aſſembly. The Parliament of Britany has ſubmitted to regiſter the Edict for levying the ancient Cuſtoms. 'Tis remarked, That the Adminiſtration, by the Continuance of the Taxes in Time of Peace, muſt have amaſſed an immenſe Treaſure, but to what Purpoſes, is beſt known to themſelves. As to the Marquis de Lede, 'tis given out, that he has not yet appeared at the French Court, nor elſewhere, in publick.

The Ambaſſador of his Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty at Muſcow is in high Eſteem at the Czar's Court; and extraordinary Honours are likewiſe ſhown by the Ruſſian Miniſters to the Turkiſh Aga lately arrived there: Which has given no ſmall Umbrage to the other Foreign Miniſters.

The Expedition of the Czar to the Caſpian Sea, does not free the German Princes from the Apprehenſions they had conceived of his Deſigns.

'Tis wrote from Copenhagen, of the 5th Inſtant, that a freſh Recruit of 500 Seamen was newly arrived there for the Service of the Daniſh Fleet, which, purſuant to the King's Reſolution, is augmented with 4 Men of War: And all the Land and Sea Officers are ordered to be at their reſpective Poſts by a certain limited Time.

Some pretend to tell us, That the K. of Great Britain has in his German Dominions above 20000 Men, all Regular Troops, and that in Readineſs, beſides the Country Militia.

The County of Cornwall have choſen their former worthy Repreſentatives, Sir William Carew, who voted againſt the Septennial Act, and Sir John St. Aubin. The Scrutiny of the Poll for Members of Parliament for this City was ſhut up to-day at Noon, when Mr. Child gained the Majority of about 60 againſt Mr. Heyſham; ſo that the Former, with the other three Gentlemen, *viz.* Mr. Lockwood, Mr. Bernard and Mr. Godfrey, were declared duly elected.

Within

Within these two or three Days past 8 or 9 Expresses have arrived from Scotland, but what they brought is kept private; as are also the Contents of the Express mention'd in our Last from France: But we have since been, and still continue under great Alarms, as tho' a great Plot was in Agitation against the Government; concerning which we have various and uncertain Reports, some giving out, that an Invasion is to be made upon Scotland by the Czar of Muscovy; others talk, that the Design of the Spanish Fleet, fitted out under Pretence of carrying the Infant Don Carlos to Tuscany, is to make a Descent upon Great Britain in favours of the Pretender: However it be, the three Regiments of Foot Guards took their Encampment this Day in Hide Park, for which 30 Cart-loads of Tents and other Equipages passed thro' this City, with a great Quantity of Powder and Ball; and a Train of Artillery will be also sent this Evening from the Tower to the foresaid Camp: In which the L: Cadogan, who commands the Forces, is to lie this Night.

The Discourse of the King's going to Hanover is laid aside.

There has been to-day a very great Run upon the Bank, so that in order to protract the Time, they paid all in Silver.

The present Noise and Confusion has made such an Alteration in the Stocks, that South Sea in particular is reduc'd to 78 *per Cent.* and their Bonds are risen to 5 *L.* Discount; and the Lottery Tickets, which bore a Premium of 18 Shillings, are now under Par.

Mr. Law attended a Committee of Council last Sunday-morning: This Gentleman, by the high Station he lately had in Foreign Countries, is thought to be serviceable in the Pursuit of some Discoveries.

There is to be a strong Guard at the Tower for 15 Days, and that all the Forces near London are to come to Town upon a Week's Notice.

'Tis said 6 Regiments are ordered from Ireland, and that no Persons are to be suffered to go up the Back Stairs in St. James's.

In the mean time the Court of Spain has assured the British Minister, that the naval Armament making there shall not be employed in any Expedition contrary to the Engagements with Great Britain; and that the Regent of France has forbidden any Person to go into Great Britain without a Passport: S. S. Stock, 92. Bank, 107.

From the St. James's Evening Post, May 8.

Paris, May 13. A certain Banker of Rome, who lent the late King James of England 250,000 Livres, sent a Citation to the *Chevalier de St. George* to appear before the Parliament of Paris, and shew cause why he should not pay the Money: The *Chevalier de St. George* being at Rome, sent to the Person who takes care of his Affairs here, to appear for him, but he neglecting so to do, Judgement was given for the Plantiff, be Default: Upon which he petitioned the Parliament for Leave to seize all the Fiefs he can find, that belong to the *Chevalier de St. George*, but we do not hear that the Parliament has hitherto had any Regard to his Petition.

London, May 8. Great Preparations are making for celebrating his Majesty's Birth Day with the greatest Magnificence. The Report of the *Chevalier de St. George* being arrived in France is too ridiculous to be credited.

Haddingtoun, May 11, 1722.

Best Wheat, 8 *L.* 6 *sh.*	2d *Ditto*, 8 *L.* 0 *sh.*	3d *Ditto*, 7 *L.*
Best Bear, 6 *L.* 2 *sh.*	2d *Ditto*, 6 *L.* 0 *sh.*	3d *Ditto*, 5 *L.* 12 *sh.*
Best Oats, 5 *L.* 15 *sh.*	2d *Ditto*, 5 *L.* 12 *sh.*	3d *Ditto*, 5 *L.*
Best Pease, 5 *L.* 6 *sh.*	2d *Ditto*, 5 *L.* 0 *sh.*	3d *Ditto*, 4 *L.* 16 *sh.*

ADVERTISEMENTS.

THAT Robert Craig, a tall Man, full Five Foot and a Half high, with his own black Hair, of a swarthy Countenance, upwards of 40 Years, says he was born in the Parish of Fittercairn, was a Pack-man from 15 Years of Age, till he was 28, accused of Theft before the Justices of Peace of the Shire of Haddingtoun, at their Quarter-sessions, the first Tuesday of May instant: Any Person who can give any Information about the said Craig, are desired to give in the same to the Author of this Paper, or to send the same to George Fall, Clerk of the Peace of the said Shire, directed to the Care of the Post-master of Haddingtoun.

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The Lands and Barony of Enſterfield, comprehending the Lands of Windmillhill, Eaſt Miln, Miln, Miln Lands and others, with the third Part of the Lands of Gellethy, near the Burgh of Dumfermling, lying within the Parochine thereof, and Sheriffdome of Fife, belonging to Philip Anſtruther now of Enſterfield, paying yearly Rent 178 Bolls Bear, 102 Bolls weighted Meal, at eight Stone *per* Boll, 38 Bolls 2 Firlots Oats, and 8 Bolls grind Meal, and 1000 Merks Money Rent, with a fine large Houſe, Office-houſes, Gardens and Orchyeards, two Dovecoats, Planting, Parks, Meadows, and about 13 or 14 Dozen of Kain, and other Conveniencies, are to be expoſed to voluntar Roup and Sale, upon Friday the 22d of June next, in the Houſe of Patrick Herdman Vintner in Edinburgh, over againſt the Parliament Cloſs, betwixt the Hours of 3 and 4 in the Afternoon: The Rental of the ſaid Eſtate and Deductions therefrom, with the Conditions of Roup, are to be ſeen in the Hands of John Lumiſden Writer to the Signet, at his writing Chamber in Miln's Square, oppoſite to the Tron Church. As alſo, that there are two Lodgings, being the fourth and fifth Stories of the great Stone Land at the Head of Gray's Cloſs, on the South Side of the Street of Edinburgh, belonging to the ſaid Philip Anſtruther, and paying both of yearly Rent 21 L. Sterling, are alſo to be expoſed to voluntar Roup, upon Tueſday the 26th of the ſaid Month of June next, in the foreſaid Houſe and Time.

THAT at Portpatrick *in the Shire of* Galloway, *there is a convenient new publick Houſe, at the Sign of King* George's *Head; where is good Entertainment for Man and Horſe, going or coming from* Ireland. *Enquire at* Adam Barclay, *Turner in the Back Stairs in the* Parliament *Cloſs*, Edinburgh, *or at the ſaid Houſe at* Portpatrick.

A Plate of Twenty five Guineas Value, to be run for at Lochmaben *in* Annandale, *on the Thirtieth Day of* May *Inſtant; by any Horſe, Mare or Gelding, carrying Eight Stone* Scots *Weight, Saddle and Bridle included.*

The Articles.

THAT the Horſes that run for this Plate ſhall run three Heats, once round the Courſe every Heat, and that half an Hour is allowed for rubbing between the Heats.

That all the Riders after every Heat, do come directly to the Weighing Poſt and there Diſmount, take off his own Saddle and Bridle, carry it with him to the Scales, and there to be weighed; half a Pound being allowed to each Rider for Waſte.

That if any one Horſe wins two Heats, if challenged to run, ſaves his Diſtance the third, he wins the Plate.

That if three Horſes win every one a Heat, they muſt run a fourth Heat.

That no Croſſing or Joſtling is allowed. That the winning Horſe or Mare, if he be fourteen Hands High or above, is to be ſold for Fifty Pound Sterling, if required, and if more than one bid, he is to be Raffled for.

The Horſes to ſtart between Twelve and Two in the Afternoon.

That all Differences that ſhall ariſe, to be determined by the Provoſt, or one whom he ſhall appoint.

The next Day being the Thirty firſt Inſtant, will be run for a Pair of Silver Spurs of Three Guineas Value; by any Horſe, Mare or Gelding, belonging to Gentlemen or others of the Stewartrie of *Annandale*; every other way ſubjected to the foregoing Articles, but that the winning Horſe muſt be ſold for Twelve Guineas.